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In re the Application of

Alain BETHUNE

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For:

A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A COATING SUCH AS A PAINT OR

VARNISH

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

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